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"AN ACT CONCERNING MINOR REVISIONS TO THE EDUCATION STATUTES."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Subsection (a) of section 10-76i of the general statutes, as
4 amended by section 1 of substitute house bill 5425 of the current
5 session, as amended by House Amendment Schedule A, is repealed
6 and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

7 (a) There shall be an Advisory Council for Special Education which
8 shall advise the General Assembly, State Board of Education and the
9 Commissioner of Education, and which shall engage in such other
10 activities as described in this section. On and after July 1, 2010, the
11 advisory council shall consist of the following members: (1) Eight
12 appointed by the Commissioner of Education, (A) six of whom shall be
13 (i) the parents of children with disabilities, provided such children are
14 under the age of twenty-seven, or (ii) individuals with disabilities, (B)

15 one of whom shall be an official of the Department of Education, and
16 (C) one of whom shall be a state or local official responsible for
17 carrying out activities under Subtitle B of Title VII of the McKinney-
18 Vento Homeless Assistance Act, 42 USC 11431 et seq., as amended
19 from time to time; (2) one appointed by the Commissioner of
20 Developmental Services who shall be an official of the department; (3)
21 one appointed by the Commissioner of Children and Families who
22 shall be an official of the department; (4) one appointed by the
23 Commissioner of Correction who shall be an official of the department;
24 (5) five who are members of the General Assembly who shall serve as
25 nonvoting members of the advisory council, one appointed by the
26 speaker of the House of Representatives, one appointed by the
27 majority leader of the House of Representatives, one appointed by the
28 minority leader of the House of Representatives, one appointed by the
29 president pro tempore of the Senate and one appointed by the
30 minority leader of the Senate; (6) [one] two appointed by the president
31 pro tempore of the Senate, [who] one of whom shall be a member of
32 the Connecticut Speech-Language-Hearing Association and one of
33 whom shall be a representative of an institution of higher education in
34 the state that prepares special education and related services
35 personnel; (7) one appointed by the majority leader of the Senate who
36 shall be a public school teacher; (8) one appointed by the minority
37 leader of the Senate who shall be a representative of a vocational,
38 community or business organization concerned with the provision of
39 transitional services to children with disabilities; (9) [one] two
40 appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, [who] one
41 of whom shall be a member of the Connecticut Council of Special
42 Education Administrators and who is a local education official and one
43 of whom shall be a person with disabilities or the parent of such a
44 person; (10) one appointed by the majority leader of the House of
45 Representatives who shall be a representative of charter schools; (11)
46 one appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives
47 who shall be a member of the Connecticut Association of Private
48 Special Education Facilities; (12) one appointed by the Chief Court
49 Administrator of the Judicial Department who shall be an official of

50 such department responsible for the provision of services to
51 adjudicated children and youth; (13) seven appointed by the Governor,
52 all of whom shall be (A) the parents of children with disabilities,
53 provided such children are under the age of twenty-seven, or (B)
54 individuals with disabilities; and (14) such other members as required
55 by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 USC 1400 et seq.,
56 as amended from time to time, appointed by the Commissioner of
57 Education. Appointments made pursuant to the provisions of this
58 section shall be representative of the ethnic and racial diversity of, and
59 the types of disabilities found in, the state population. The terms of the
60 members of the council serving on the effective date of this section
61 shall expire on June 30, 2010. Appointments shall be made to the
62 council by July 1, 2010. Members shall serve two-year terms, except
63 that members appointed pursuant to subdivisions (1) to (3), inclusive,
64 of this subsection whose terms commenced July 1, 2010, shall serve
65 three-year terms and the successors to such members appointed
66 pursuant to subdivisions (1) to (3), inclusive, of this subsection shall
67 serve two-year terms."